

FISCAL NOTE

SB 2875 - HB 2603

February 25, 1998

SUMMARY OF BILL: Creates the verdict of *guilty by reason of mental illness* if the jury finds the defendant is guilty and at the time of the offense the defendant was mentally ill but not legally insane. Punishment for a verdict of guilty but mentally ill will be the same as a verdict of guilty. The defendant will undergo treatment for the mental illness in the Department of Correction or the Department of Mental Health and Mental Retardation. After treatment any remaining sentence will be served in the Department of Correction.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000

Assumes additional costs for psychiatric evaluations and treatments. The amount of such costs will depend on the number convicted under this statute and cannot be determined but is estimated to exceed \$100,000.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James A. Davenport".

James A. Davenport, Executive Director